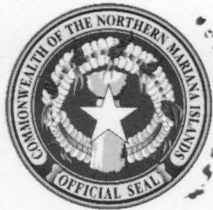


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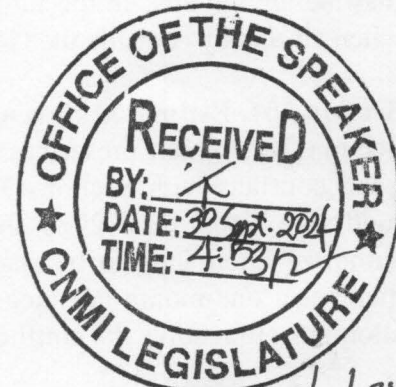
COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

September 30, 2024

GOV 2024-676

The Honorable Edmund S. Villagomez
Speaker, House of Representatives
23rd Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature
Saipan, MP 96950

The Honorable Edith E. DeLeon Guerrero
Senate President
23rd Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature
Saipan, MP 96950



19/1/24

Dear Mr. Speaker and Madame President:

This is to inform the Legislature that I have signed into law House Bill 23-115, HD1, HS1, SS2, entitled, "To make appropriations for the operations and activities of the Government of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, its agencies, instrumentalities, and independent programs, and to provide budget authority for government corporations for Fiscal Year 2025; and for other purposes," ("Appropriations and Budget Authority Act of 2025" or the "Act") with the exception of several disapproved parts of the Act.

I acknowledge the 23rd Legislature for its hard work, diligence, and spirit of cooperation in timely passing a budget to maintain continuity of government operations.

Article III, Section 9(a) of the NMI Constitution provides a timeline and penalty provision for the Governor and the Legislature to submit and pass a balanced budget. As Governor, I must submit a balanced budget to the Legislature on or before April 1st. The Legislature is mandated to pass a balanced budget by October 1st, and if no budget is passed by the first day of the fiscal year, no funds may be expended by the General Fund except for essential services. I applaud the Legislature for ensuring the budget for Fiscal Year 2025 reached my desk with sufficient time for my review.

The goal in this budget is to maintain fiscal stability at a time when resources are scarce, meet government obligations, and ensure public safety and welfare in our community. However, the Legislature did not provide funding for continuation of the 25% pension payments, which places our retirees at risk of losing this percentage of their promised benefits. I urge for this funding shortfall to be addressed as soon as possible.

In addition to the foregoing concerns, I have line-item vetoed several parts of the Act which I have found unclear, ambiguous, or problematic either in their inconsistency with existing provisions of law, or in their implementation or imposition of additional steps that would hinder efficiency in government operations.

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My comments and actions are as follows:

COMMENTS ON APPROVED PARTS OF THE ACT

Section 103. Definitions

This section does not define the term “outside sources,” which is used several times in the Act and may be ambiguous. In the future, clarity could be provided as to when non-local funds are meant, when all moneys outside the General Fund are meant, etc.

Section 201. Estimated Revenues

Section 201, which prescribes how the allotments are to be issued at the beginning of the Fiscal Year, conflicts with Sections 703(b), 704(b), 704(f)(2), and 705(d). Section 201 dictates that the funds for Fiscal Year 2025 shall be allotted monthly, while Sections 703(b), 704(b), and 705(d) authorize allotments to be issued on a quarterly basis. Moreover, Section 704(f)(2) allows each member a one-month advance allotment. I am vetoing those provisions that provide for quarterly allotments to resolve the conflict with this Section.

Section 501. Reprogramming Authority

I acknowledge the Legislature’s extension of 100% reprogramming authority for Fiscal Year 2025 in this critical time when funding is limited and maximum flexibility is necessary for program implementation.

Section 603. Salary Cap

Section 603(c) temporarily addresses the gap in compensation for the Secretary of the Department of Lands and Natural Resources. The salary is raised from \$48,000 to \$54,000 to be more horizontally equitable across Cabinet-level appointees. The Salary Compensation Act could be revisited with a permanent amendment to 1 CMC § 8425 to address compensation for Cabinet appointees who were not included in P.L. 19-83. The Legislature may also consider a general pay scale for positions across the three branches of government to provide for horizontal equity between similarly-situated employees, including between statutorily and constitutionally mandated salaries.

Section 606. Cell #1 and Cell #2 of the Marpi Landfill Closure Financial Assurance Mechanism

Section 606 commits the full faith and credit of the government to effectuate the closure of Cell #1 and Cell #2 of the Marpi Landfill should the program be faced with a funding shortfall. This provision is unclear as to whether the CNMI government is limited to the General Fund as opposed to other sources of funds.

Section 703. Judicial Branch

Section 703(d) provides the Judiciary with appropriate flexibility to use other sources to mitigate funding shortfalls in the General Fund.

Section 704. Legislative Branch

Section 704(d) provides the Legislature with appropriate flexibility to use other sources to mitigate funding shortfalls in the General Fund.

Section 705. Executive Branch

Section 705(e) provides for law enforcement officers in the Department of Public Safety and the Department of Fire and Emergency Services eligible to receive overtime to be covered using outside sources. The same measure was extended to law enforcement officers in the First and Second Senatorial Districts in Section 706(b) and Section 707(b). I would encourage the Legislature in the future to treat all law enforcement agencies similarly. The measure may affect the morale of other law enforcement officers, such as those in the Department of Corrections or the Department of Commerce's ABTC sworn enforcement officers.

VETOED PARTS OF THE ACT**Section 201. Estimated Revenues**

The breakdown of revenues available for appropriation to the Department of Public Lands into resources available to DPL and resources available to the Marianas Public Land Trust is disapproved, for the reasons discussed under Section 711, below.

Section 203. Reporting Requirements for the Secretary of Finance

Subsections 203(d) and 203(e) are hereby disapproved. The inclusion of this provision is redundant and unnecessary because reporting requirements for the Secretary of Finance are prescribed in 1 CMC § 7204(e) and 1 CMC § 7604 in the Planning and Budgeting Act. Compliance reporting requirements are stipulated throughout this bill directed only at the Secretary of Finance, but not to the expenditure authorities of autonomous agencies or government corporations. My administration is committed to ensuring timely compliance according to law. Reporting requirements and compliance standards should be applied equally across the instrumentalities of government.

Subsection (e) also risks exceeding the constitutional reach of the Legislature under the separation of powers by stipulating adverse personnel actions for an Executive Branch officer. Administrative human resources penalties directed at the Secretary of Finance are unnecessary to enforce reporting requirements, which can be enforced, like any provision of law, through a suit at law.

Section 605. Legal Holidays

Section 605 is disapproved, as prohibiting pay adjustment for working on legal holidays risks violation of the federal Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA).

Section 608. Vacant Positions

This section is disapproved as its implementation would pose practical problems. The hiring process typically takes more than 30 days and this measure would unduly restrict the Executive Branch's ability to respond to operational needs.

Section 703. Judicial Branch

Section 703(b) is disapproved because quarterly allotments to the Judiciary would be inconsistent with Section 201.

Section 704. Legislative Branch

Section 704(b) is disapproved because quarterly allotments to the Legislature would be inconsistent with Section 201.

Section 705. Executive Branch

Section 705(d) is disapproved because quarterly allotments to the Executive Branch would be inconsistent with Section 201.

Section 709. Other Programs

I have disapproved the requirement in Subsection (e) that the CNMI Medical Referral Program/Health Network Program will include stipends, airfare, and lodging for patients and escorts in inter-island medical referral services. The appropriation for the Health Network Program is insufficient to cover such costs. CHCC should have the flexibility to identify outside sources to address the budget gap.

Section 711. Department of Public Lands

The disapproved part of this section provides for DPL to use funds held in reserve accounts for its FY 2025 operations while remitting collections during the year to the Marianas Public Land Trust, rather than the converse. This provision is in tension with Article XI, Section 5(g) of the NMI Constitution and Public Law 15-2, which mandate that any unobligated funds at the end of the fiscal year must be remitted to MPLT and not kept in reserve. DPL's funding in a given fiscal year should be derived from leases paid to DPL during that fiscal year and any unobligated funds at the end of that fiscal year should not be placed in reserve but remitted to MPLT.

As mandated by Article II, Section 7 of the NMI Constitution, the corresponding lines in Schedule A are likewise line-item vetoed. The difference between the General Fund Grand Total and the General Fund Grand Total with DPL in Schedule A, i.e., \$5,566,075.00, thus constitutes the appropriation to DPL.

Section 712. Transparency and Accurate Information Access

I have disapproved Section 712, as access to the Munis Financial System has already been available to administrative and financial employees of the government since the transition from the JD Edwards System. Funding must be identified to address the cost of additional training hours and customized reporting preferences requested by this Section.

The inclusion of subsection 712(a)(2) is redundant and unnecessary because reporting requirements for the Secretary of Finance are prescribed in 1 CMC § 7204(e) and 1 CMC § 7604 in the Planning and Budgeting Act. My administration remains committed to continue providing user-friendly, digitally formatted data of reports submitted.

Subsection 712(a)(3) is redundant and unnecessary, as the Open Government Act provides for records requests of this nature.

Section 713. Violation of Spending Limits

I have disapproved the additional penalties and sanctions in Section 713. The Planning and Budgeting Act, as amended, has adequate enforcement provisions to assure compliance with its and this Act's expenditure restrictions.

Section 801. Administrative Provisions

I am disapproving subsection 801(a), which mandates monthly allotment of outside sources. Outside sources are allocated when funding becomes available. There is a timing concern with this provision, as outside sources are not always available at the beginning of the Fiscal Year.

Section 802. Outside Sources

I have disapproved parts of Subsection (b) because of inconsistency between the original language and U.S. Public Law 115-218 which governs the use and administration of the CW funds. The federal law does not limit training programs to only those for vocational training. The federal law also provides restrictions on the administration of the funds, including reprogramming and fiscal year limitation. Further, the U.S. Department of Labor has already approved the CNMI's plan for allocation of the CW fees.

I caution that the sums of \$541,597.00 and \$1,300,000.00 in Tobacco Settlement Funds and Commonwealth Worker Fee Funds, respectively, are only an estimate of revenues likely to be collected in Fiscal Year 2025. Actual collections will likely fluctuate by quarter, potentially affecting distribution to entities provided in Section 802(b) of the Act. My administration will maintain the current practice of allocating funding when funds become available.

With my signature, this bill, with the exception of the vetoed provisions, becomes Public Law No. 23-26. Copies of the public law bearing my signature are forwarded for your reference.

Sincerely,


ARNOLD I. PALACIOS

cc: Lieutenant Governor
Secretary of Finance
Special Assistant for Programs and Legislative Review
All Mayors
Executive Assistant for Carolinian Affairs
Members of the 23rd Legislature



**TWENTY-THIRD NORTHERN MARIANA COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

FOURTH REGULAR SESSION

AUGUST 8, 2024

REPRESENTATIVE RALPH N. YUMUL OF SAIPAN, PRECINCT 3 (*for himself*, Representatives Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, and Diego V. F. Camacho) in an open and public meeting with an opportunity for the public to comment, introduced the following Bill:

H. B. No. 23-115, HD1, HS1, SS2

AN ACT

**TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATIONS AND
ACTIVITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA
ISLANDS, ITS AGENCIES, INSTRUMENTALITIES, AND
INDEPENDENT PROGRAMS, AND TO PROVIDE BUDGET
AUTHORITY FOR GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS FOR
FISCAL YEAR 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The Bill was not referred to a House Committee.

**THE BILL WAS PASSED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON
FIRST AND FINAL READING, AUGUST 8, 2024;**

with amendments in the form of H. B. No. 23-115, HD1, HS1 and transmitted to THE SENATE.

IN THE SENATE

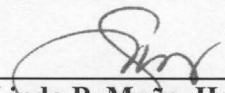
The Bill was referred to the Senate Committee on Fiscal Affairs.

THE BILL WAS PASSED BY THE SENATE ON FIRST AND FINAL READING, SEPTEMBER 18, 2024;
with amendments in the form of H. B. No. 23-115, HD1, HS1, SS2 and returned to

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House of Representatives accepted the Senate amendments and passed H. B. No. 23-115, HD1, HS1, SS2 during its 3rd Day, Fourth Regular Session on September 24, 2024.

**H. B. No. 23-115, HD1, HS1, SS2 IS DULY PASSED BY THE TWENTY-THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS
COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE.**



Linda B. Muña, House Clerk



TWENTY-THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

THIRD DAY, FOURTH REGULAR SESSION

SEPTEMBER 24, 2024

H. B. No. 23-115, HD1, HS1, SS2

AN ACT

TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATIONS AND
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AUTHORITY FOR GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS FOR
FISCAL YEAR 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE TWENTY-THIRD NORTHERN
MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE:**

1 **SECTION 101. SHORT TITLE.**

2 To make appropriations for the operations and activities of the Government
3 of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, its agencies,
4 instrumentalities, and independent programs, and to provide budget authority for
5 government corporations for Fiscal Year 2025; and for other purposes.

6 **SECTION 102. PURPOSE.**

7 This Act appropriates local funds for the operations and activities of the
8 Government of the Northern Mariana Islands, its agencies, instrumentalities,
9 independent agencies and political subdivisions, and provides authority for

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government corporations for Fiscal Year 2025 commencing October 1, 2024 and ending September 30, 2025.

SECTION 103. DEFINITIONS.

As used in this Act:

(a) "ORG" means Organization Code.

(b) "NEW" means that the Legislature hereby authorizes the Secretary of Finance to establish an organization code as set forth therein for the named entity.

(c) Government of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands includes:

(1) Judicial Branch, which includes the following organization codes:

11510600 Justices and Judges

11510400 Supreme Court

11510300 Superior Court

11510100 Judiciary Administrative Office

11510500 Law Revision Commission

11510700 Drug Court

11511000 Mental Health Court

(2) Legislative Branch, which includes the following organization codes:

11620100 House of Representative Salaries

11620200 House Members Allocation

11620300 House Leadership Account

11620400 Senator Salaries

11620500 Senate Members Allocation

11620600 Senate Leadership Account

11620700 Legislative Bureau

11620800 CNMI Youth Congress

(3) Executive Branch, which includes the following departments and offices:

(A) Offices of the Governor, which includes the following organization codes:

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1 11261100 Governor's Office
2 11269000 Governor's Discretionary Account
3 (B) Office of the Lt. Governor
4 11262000 Lt. Governor's Office
5 11269100 Lt. Governor's Discretionary Account
6 (C) Other Offices of the Governor and Lt. Governor
7 11260900 Management and Budget
8 11260100 Administrative Services
9 11260700 CNMI Homeland Security and Emergency Management Office
10 11261800 Office of Youth Affairs
11 11260500 Office of Planning & Development
12 11261300 Board of Parole
13 11261000 Office of Grants Management
14 11261200 Public Defender
15 11260200 Carolinian Affairs Office
16 11260800 Indigenous Affairs Office
17 11261400 Veterans Affairs Office
18 11261600 Women's Affairs Office
19 11261900 Environmental Quality Saipan
20 11262200 Saipan Zoning Board
21 11260400 Criminal Justice Planning Agency
22 11261500 Vocational Rehabilitation Service
23 11882200 Medicaid Reimbursement
24 11880300 Medicaid Agency
25 11850400 Medicaid Enterprise Systems & Health Information
26 Technology
27 (D) Department of Commerce, which includes the following organization
28 codes:

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1 11160100 Secretary of Commerce
2 11160300 Economic Development – Saipan
3 11160400 Statistical Research
4 11160200 Alcoholic Beverage & Tobacco Control
5 11160500 Enforcement & Compliance
6 11160600 Workers Compensation Commission

7 (E) Department of Community and Cultural Affairs, which includes the
8 following organization codes:

9 11120100 Secretary of CCA
10 11120800 Youth Services – Saipan
11 11120900 Child Care Licensing Program
12 11120600 Historic Preservation – Saipan
13 11120700 Office on Aging – Saipan
14 11120200 Council for Arts & Culture
15 11121000 Low Income Home Energy Asst. Program
16 11121200 Chamorro/Carolinian Language Commission
17 11121400 Nutrition Assistance Program

18 (F) Department of Corrections, which includes the following organization
19 codes:

20 11130100 Corrections Commissioner
21 11130200 Juvenile Detention Unit

22 (G) Department of Fire and Emergency Medical Services, which includes
23 the following organization codes:

24 11140100 Administration
25 11140300 Emergency Services
26 11140200 Fire Prevention & Arson Investigation
27 11140400 Emergency Medical Services
28 11140500 Logistics and Support

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1 11140600 DFEMS Training Section

2 11140700 DFEMS Dispatch Section

3 (H) Department of Finance, which includes the following organization
4 codes:

5 11170100 Secretary of Finance

6 11170800 Finance and Accounting – Saipan

7 11170700 Treasury

8 11170500 Revenue and Taxation – Saipan

9 11170400 Procurement & Supply – Saipan

10 11170900 Customs Services – Saipan

11 11170200 Office of Information Technology

12 11171000 Passport Office

13 (I) Department of Labor, which includes business codes:

14 11180100 Secretary of Labor

15 11180400 Administrative Hearing Office

16 11180500 Employment Services

17 11180700 Labor Enforcement Fund

18 (J) Department of Lands and Natural Resources, which includes the
19 following organization codes:

20 11190100 Secretary of DLNR

21 11190700 Agriculture

22 11190800 Fish & Wildlife – Saipan

23 11190400 Parks & Recreation – Saipan

24 11190500 Soil & Water (SPN & NI) District

25 11190900 Land Registration & Survey – Saipan

26 (K) Department of Public Safety, which includes the following organization
27 codes:

28 11150400 DPS Commissioner

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1 N/A Executive Protection Services

2 11150500 Police – Saipan

3 11150100 Administrative Division

4 11150300 Motor Vehicles Division

5 (L) Department of Public Works, which includes the following
6 organization codes:

7 11200100 Secretary of DPW

8 11200200 Building Safety Code

9 11200500 Roads and Grounds Division

10 11200600 Solid Waste Management

11 11200700 Technical Services Division

12 (4) First Senatorial District (Rota) which includes the following the
13 following organization codes:

14 12270100 Mayor Rota

15 12710100 Municipal Council – Rota

16 12170800 Finance & Accounting – Rota

17 12170500 Revenue & Taxation – Rota

18 12170400 Procurement & Supply – Rota

19 12170900 Customs Service – Rota

20 12120600 Historic Preservation – Rota

21 12120400 Sports & Recreation – Rota

22 12180100 Labor – Rota

23 12160300 Commerce - Rota (Economic Development Rota)

24 12150500 Police - Rota (DPS)

25 12140100 Fire & EMS – Rota

26 12190700 Agriculture – Rota

27 12190800 Fish & Wildlife – Rota

28 12190400 Parks & Recreation – Rota

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- 1 12190500 Soil and Water Conservation – Rota
2 12190900 Land Registration & Survey – Rota
3 12200100 Public Works - Rota (Operations and Maintenance Rota)
4 12880900 Public Library – Rota
5 (5) Second Senatorial District (Tinian and Aguiguan) which includes the
6 following organization codes:
7 13270100 Mayor Tinian
8 13710100 Municipal Council – Tinian
9 13170800 Finance & Accounting – Tinian
10 13170500 Revenue & Taxation – Tinian
11 13170400 Procurement & Supply – Tinian
12 13170900 Customs Service – Tinian
13 13120600 Historic Preservation – Tinian
14 13120700 Aging – Tinian
15 13120400 Sports & Recreation – Tinian
16 13180100 Labor – Tinian
17 13160300 Commerce-Tinian (Economic Development Tinian)
18 13150500 Police - Tinian (DPS)
19 13140100 Fire and EMS – Tinian
20 13190700 Agriculture – Tinian
21 13190800 Fish & Wildlife – Tinian
22 13190400 Parks & Recreation – Tinian
23 13190500 Soil & Water Conservation -Tinian
24 13200100 Public Works-Tinian (Operations & Maintenance Tinian)
25 13880900 Public Library – Tinian
26 (6) Third Senatorial District – Saipan & Northern Islands Mayors &
27 Municipal Council which includes the following organization codes:
28 11270100 Mayor Saipan

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1 14270100 Mayor Northern Islands

2 11710100 Municipal Council Saipan

3 (7) Boards and Commissions which include the following the following
4 organization codes:

5 11110700 Board of Civil Service Commission

6 11111100 Office of Personnel Management – Saipan

7 13111100 Office of Personnel Management – Tinian

8 12111100 Office of Personnel Management – Rota

9 11110200 Commonwealth Election Commission

10 11110500 Board of Professional Licensing

11 11110800 Commonwealth Public Utilities Commission (CPUC)

12 11111200 Commonwealth Casino Commission

13 11110900 Commonwealth Cannabis Commission

14 11111000 CNMI Cannabis Commission Board

15 (8) “Independent Programs” means government programs under separate
16 boards established by law (unless receiving appropriations or budget authority
17 under another heading), specialized general items of appropriations, and those
18 non-profit corporations and associations or organizations established outside of
19 the Government of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to which
20 the Commonwealth Government provides financial assistance includes the
21 following organization codes:

22 11881400 CNMI Scholarship Office

23 11881500 Substance Abuse Prevention

24 11880500 Elected Attorney General

25 11884200 25% Retirees’ Pension Benefits

26 11881600 NMI DC Employer Contributions

27 11881700 GHFI Retirees

28 11883100 Northern Marianas Sports Association

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1 11881800 Gov't Health Insurance Employer Contribution (Active
2 Employees)

3 unassigned Government Utilities

4 11880900 Joeten/Kiyu Public Library

5 11884500 General Fund Deficit Reduction

6 11881900 NMIRF - Gov/Lt. Gov Pension

7 11884600 Judgments Against Government

8 11880200 NMI Museum of History and Culture

9 11882400 Commonwealth Cancer Association

10 11884400 Government Operational Costs

11 Public Assistance Matching

12 (9) Other Programs:

13 11850100 Commonwealth Healthcare Corp. (CHCC Subsidy)

14 11850700 Health Network Program

15 11881000 Northern Marianas College

16 11882100 NMC Board of Regents

17 11881300 Marianas Visitors Authority

18 11881100 Public School System

19 11882000 PSS Board of Education

20 11883300 Micronesian Legal Services Corporation

21 11883500 Northern Marianas Technical Institute

22 (10) Public Corporations which include the following:

23 Commonwealth Economic Development Authority

24 Commonwealth Ports Authority

25 Commonwealth Utilities Corporation

26 Northern Marianas Housing Corporation

27 Office of the Public Auditor

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(d) "Local funds" means locally generated revenues and revenues received pursuant to Section 702 (a) of the Covenant.

(e) "Operations" means appropriations for all lawful activities other than personnel.

(f) "Personnel" means appropriations for salaries, employer's contribution to the Northern Marianas Retirement Fund, the Defined Contribution Plan, overtime, night differential, hazardous pay, and other employee wages and benefits.

(g) "Number of Positions"(NOP) means the maximum number of persons that may be employed, pursuant to Article X, Section 7 of the Commonwealth Constitution but does not include Workforce Investment Agency, substitute teachers, summer trainees, teacher aides, physicians, licensed professional nurses and licensed allied health providers working part-time and paid only for instructional time, student-teacher trainees, or short terms specialized instructors, such as visiting artists, performers, writers, and the like. For purposes of this exception, "part-time" means employment not exceeding 40 hours in any biweekly pay period, and "short-term" means not more than 90 instructional days of employment within the Public School System during the fiscal year.

CHAPTER II. ESTIMATED REVENUES

SECTION 201. ESTIMATED REVENUES.

Pursuant to House Concurrent Resolution No. 23-3, HS1, SS1 the total estimated revenues and resources approved and identified for Fiscal Year 2025 are as follows:

I. The total identified budgetary resources for FY 2025 is	<u>\$158,614,274</u>
II. Less Earmarks and Transfers Out:	
(1) MVA – Hotel (80%) 4 CMC §1803	<u>(\$4,412,374)</u>
(A) Less Debt Service Previously Appropriated:	
(1) 2007A Refunding Bond Payment	<u>(\$3,618,500)</u>

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1	(2) 2007B Refunding Bond Payment	<u>(\$3,391,750)</u>
2	(B) Less Debt Service Settlement Fund	
3	Agreement, 468-1, PL 20-33:	<u>(\$32,000,000)</u>
4	(C) 2020 Pension Obligation Note Payment:	<u>(\$2,886,600)</u>
5	(D) MPLT 2019 Loan	<u>(\$831,039)</u>
6	Subtotal	<u>(\$47,140,263)</u>
7	III. Total local revenue and resources:	
8	(a) Total local revenue and resources available for appropriation for	
9	Commonwealth Government activities in Fiscal Year 2025:	<u>\$111,474,011</u>
10	(b) Department of Public Lands	\$5,566,075
11	(1) Less MPLT.	\$5,566,075
12	(2) Less DPL:	\$2
13	Grand Total	<u>\$117,040,086</u>

Notwithstanding 1 CMC § 7204, funds for Fiscal Year 2025 shall be allotted monthly; except programs and agencies that require one-time payments shall receive advance allotments. These programs include but shall not be limited to: the CNMI Scholarship Office, the Commonwealth Healthcare Corporation, the CNMI Public School System, the Northern Marianas College, and the Northern Marianas Technical Institute.

SECTION 202. SUSPENSION OF EARMARKED FUNDS.

Except for debt service obligations and other earmarking of funds as permitted in Section 201 of this Chapter, the earmarking, reservation, commitment, allotment, or allocation of funds pursuant to the following public laws are hereby suspended for the Fiscal Year 2025:

- a) Tobacco Control – Cigarette Tax, PL 13-38 – 3 CMC § 2177;
- b) GHLI – 50% Cigarette 4 CMC §1402(g)(3) – PL 18-64;
- c) Cancer Fund – Cigarette Tax, 4 CMC § 1402(g)(2);
- d) NMIRF – Hotel Tax (20%), 4 CMC § 1803;

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- e) Solid Waste R/F per 4 CMC § 1402(g)(1) – PL 18-64;
- f) PSS Technical Education – 4 CMC § 1503(f);
- g) NMIRF – Alcohol Container (30%), 4 CMC § 1803;
- h) MVA – Alcohol Container (20%), 4 CMC § 1803;
- i) NMIRF DB Plan Fund – 15% E-gaming, Public Law 18-30, 4 CMC § 1511 (a);
- j) NMIRF – 60% E-gaming, Public Law 18-30, 4 CMC § 1511 (b);
- k) Solid Waste Management Revolving Fund, 2 CMC §3551;
- l) Foreign Worker Fee Fund, PL 17-01 - 3 CMC § 4968; Suspended Indefinitely;
- m) Vehicle Registration Fees, PL 11-55 - 9 CMC § 2104;
- n) Admiralty and Maritime Fees, 2 CMC §1222;
- o) Weapon Fees, PL 19-73 – NMIAC § 150-70-120;
- p) Lottery Commission Revenue, PL 3-60 –1 CMC §§ 9317-9318;
- q) 3rd Senatorial District – 15% E-gaming, Public Law 18-30, 4 CMC § 1511 (c);
- r) 1st and 2nd Senatorial District – 10% E-gaming, Public Law 18-30, 4 CMC § 1511 (d);
- s) 3rd and 2nd Senatorial District – Public Law 20-59, 4 CMC § 1508(a)(1)(2); and
- t) Developers Infrastructure Tax (100%) — 4 CMC §§ 1938-1939

SECTION 203. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SECRETARY OF FINANCE.

(a) Comparison of Actual Revenues Collected and Revenues Estimated. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the Secretary of Finance shall submit to the Presiding Officers of the Legislature, Chairperson of the Senate Committee on Fiscal Affairs and the Chairperson of the House Committee on Ways and Means, at the end of each quarter, a fund status report comparing the actual

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1 revenues collected and the revenues estimated of all funds appropriated for the
2 operations and activities of the Commonwealth Government in this Act. The
3 Secretary of Finance shall meet with the Chairperson of the Senate Committee on
4 Fiscal Affairs and the Chairperson of the House Committee on Ways and Means
5 in mid-February, mid-May and mid-August to discuss actual revenues collected
6 versus the revenues estimated.

7 (b) Comparison of Actual Expenditures and Appropriated Expenditures.
8 Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the Secretary of Finance shall submit
9 to the Presiding Officers of the Legislature, Chairperson of the Senate Committee
10 on Fiscal Affairs and the Chairperson of the House Committee on Ways and
11 Means, at the end of each quarter, a fund status report comparing the actual
12 expenditures and appropriated expenditures of all funds appropriated for the
13 operations and activities of the Commonwealth Government in this Act.

14 (c) Transfer In and Out Funds. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary,
15 the Secretary of Finance shall submit to the Presiding Officers of the Legislature,
16 at the end of each quarter, a fund status report on the funds transferred in and
17 out each quarter pursuant to Section 201 of this Act.

18 ~~(d) All Other Source. The Secretary of Finance shall report revenues in~~
19 ~~excess of \$200,000.00 received from other sources that are not identified in this~~
20 ~~Act.~~

21 ~~(e) Violation. The salary of the Secretary of Finance shall be suspended for~~
22 ~~at least 30 days and the salary shall not be restored until the Secretary of Finance~~
23 ~~provides all the reports under this section to the Presiding Officers of the~~
24 ~~Legislature, Chairperson of the Senate Committee on Fiscal Affairs, and the~~
25 ~~Chairperson of the House Committee on Ways and Means. Provided that the~~
26 ~~Secretary of Finance shall not be entitled to indemnification, defense, or~~
27 ~~reimbursement under the Government Liability Act or any other Commonwealth~~
28 ~~Law.~~

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CHAPTER III.
GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS AND DESIGNATED
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SECTION 301. APPROPRIATION AND BUDGET AUTHORITY.

Pursuant to 1 CMC § 7206 and as provided herein, budget and expenditure authority for the following activities is hereby approved. Expenditures in excess of the budget authority approved herein for agencies to which public funds are appropriated shall not be incurred or committed and hiring in excess of the number of positions authorized by this Act is prohibited, unless authorized by a legislative joint resolution in accordance with Section 7, Article X of the N.M.I. Constitution.

<u>ACTIVITIES</u>	<u>NOP</u>	<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>OPERATIONS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
(a) Commonwealth Economic Development Authority	11	\$1,165,331	\$46,800	\$1,212,131
(b) Commonwealth Ports Authority	245	\$6,949,977	\$12,495,739	\$19,445,716
(c) Commonwealth Utilities Corporation	572	\$23,255,463	\$92,544,537	\$115,800,000
(d) Northern Marianas Housing Corporation.	106	\$5,348,973	\$8,128,939	\$13,477,912
(e) Office of the Public Auditor	17	\$959,200	\$774,804	\$1,734,004
(f) Commonwealth Healthcare Corporation	1,123	\$79,892,714	\$51,520,439	\$131,413,153
(g) Commonwealth Casino Commission	3	\$2,899,336	\$1,379,545	\$4,278,881
(h) Northern Marianas Technical Institute	31	\$1,150,079	\$1,629,323	\$2,779,402
(i) Marianas Visitors Authority	41	\$1,649,522	\$10,690,330	\$12,339,852
(j) Northern Marianas College	244	\$12,806,348	\$4,220,678	\$17,027,026
(k) Marianas Public Land Trust	--	<u>\$286,300</u>	<u>\$1,087,205</u>	<u>\$1,373,505</u>
Grand Total:	<u>2,393</u>	<u>\$136,300,243</u>	<u>\$184,518,339</u>	<u>\$320,881,582</u>

Notwithstanding the above dollar amounts, the entities above shall expend only the lesser of funds actually generated, collected, or received, or the amounts indicated above.

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SECTION 302. PRIOR CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS.

No contract shall be entered into with the Commonwealth or any government entity therein without first receiving from the Secretary of the Department of Finance certification that lawful and sufficient funds have been appropriated. Notwithstanding any Commonwealth laws, regulations, or provisions to the contrary, this section shall not apply to the Judicial Branch, the Public School System, and the Northern Marianas College.

SECTION 303. REPORTING REQUIREMENT.

In Fiscal Year 2025, the expenditure authorities of the foregoing activities listed in Section 301 and the CNMI Public School System, shall submit to the Presiding Officers of the Legislature, Chairperson of the Senate Committee on Fiscal Affairs and the Chairperson of the House Committee on Ways and Means, within 30 days at the end of each quarter, a fund status report on the expenditures for personnel and operations of each government entity, and the payments of the public auditor's fee, for the quarter ended and, if applicable, year-to-date totals as of the close of the reporting period.

Furthermore, notwithstanding any provisions or laws to the contrary, all additional resources realized within the fiscal year outside of those specified and identified under this Act shall be reported in detail to the Legislature for appropriation purposes.

CHAPTER IV. ADMINISTRATION OF APPROPRIATED FUNDS**SECTION 401. MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS.**

The expenditure of the funds appropriated and allocated under this Act shall be regulated and controlled by the Secretary of Finance so that no agency, department, instrumentality, program, or activity may expend the funds contrary to the law or fiscal management policies and practices of the Commonwealth.

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SECTION 402. NUMBER OF POSITION(S) (NOP) CEILING.

Employment Ceilings. Pursuant to Article X, § 7 of the Commonwealth Constitution, the employment ceilings relative to the number of positions are hereby established as set forth in this Act.

SECTION 403. DONATION OF SICK LEAVE.

Notwithstanding any laws to the contrary, when an employee volunteers to donate sick leave, the donated sick leave shall be based on the donor's current base hourly salary and shall be converted into equivalent sick leave hours based on the recipient's current base hourly salary. Provided that the donated sick leave hours shall not exceed 1040 hours. ¹

SECTION 404. EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY.

The distribution and expenditure of funds shall be in compliance with the fiscal expenditure authority that the listed agencies have pursuant to the statute and the administrative provisions of this Act.

CHAPTER V. REPROGRAMMING AUTHORITY**SECTION 501. REPROGRAMMING AUTHORITY.**

(a) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the Governor shall have up to 100% reprogramming authority for the departments, agencies, and offices of the executive branch, provided that the municipal entities shall not be subject to this reprogramming authority without the consent of the mayor. Provided further that the reprogramming authority shall not apply to Section 604 of this Act. Reprogramming shall not be used for the hiring of personnel or salary adjustment of active personnel. This authority to reprogram shall not apply to the funds

¹ Conversion:

(Sick Leave Hours Donated) multiplied by (Donor's Hourly Base Rate) = (Donor's Donated Dollar Value)

(Donor's Donated Dollar Value) divided by (Recipient's Hourly Base Rate) = (Number of Hours Donated to Recipient)

Example: (Donor donated 100 hours) x (Donor's hourly rate of \$20) = \$2,000

(\$2,000) divided by (Recipient's hourly rate of \$10) = 200 hours to Recipient.

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1 appropriated to the Legislative or Judicial Branches as well as to those funds
2 appropriated by the respective legislative delegations.

3 (b) Pursuant to 1 CMC § 7402(e), all reprogramming shall be reported in
4 writing to the Presiding Officers of the Legislature, the Chairperson of the House
5 Committee on Ways and Means, and the Chairperson of the Senate Committee on
6 Fiscal Affairs within 30 days after the end of each quarter of the fiscal year. Such
7 reports shall include a description of each item reprogrammed, the reason for each
8 reprogramming, the change in the approved budget caused by the reprogramming,
9 the cumulative amount of all reprogramming during the fiscal year, and such
10 other information as may be requested by the Chairpersons. The Governor shall
11 submit to the Presiding Officers and Chairpersons an annual summary of all
12 reprogramming activity within 60 days after the end of a fiscal year.

13 **CHAPTER VI. SUPPLEMENTAL ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS**

14 **SECTION 601. UTILITIES.**

15 (a) The CUC monthly utility billings for all departments and agencies shall
16 be paid by the central government after all the funds in the general revolving
17 accounts are exhausted.

18 (b) For prepaid meter accounts, the authorized designee of the respective
19 government agencies or offices shall follow the protocol of the Department of
20 Finance for timely payment.

21 **SECTION 602. HIRING RESTRICTION.**

22 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, no new or vacant
23 position shall be filled in the executive branch, except for positions that are
24 essential for the delivery of public services such as the Department of Public
25 Safety and the Department of Fire and Emergency Services personnel for each
26 respective Senatorial District and other essential positions as determined by the
27 Governor.

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1 (b) Notwithstanding any law or regulation to the contrary, if a Notice of
2 Personnel Action has been executed by the hiring agency or a candidate to fill the
3 vacancy has been selected or action has been initiated to fill the position by any
4 department or agency and filed at the Office of Personnel Management on Rota,
5 Tinian, or Saipan, the vacant position shall be considered as processed and to be
6 filled. The renewal of the contract for an existing employee shall not be considered
7 as creating a vacant position.

8 **SECTION 603. SALARY CAP.**

9 (a) For Fiscal Year 2025, the compensation of certain appointed officials
10 shall be compensated as set forth in the attached Schedule A and pursuant to
11 1 CMC § 8245 and 1 CMC § 28003.

12 (b) For Fiscal Year 2025, notwithstanding 1 CMC § 8245(c), the annual
13 salary of the Resident Department Heads of the First and Second Senatorial
14 Districts shall be \$40,000.

15 (c) For Fiscal Year 2025, notwithstanding 1 CMC § 8245(a), the annual
16 salary of the Secretary of the Department of Lands and Natural Resources shall
17 be \$54,000.

18 (d) For Fiscal Year 2025, notwithstanding any provision of law to the
19 contrary, austerity measures shall apply to all Resident Department Heads of the
20 First and Second Senatorial Districts and CNMI Department Heads.

21 **SECTION 604. REVOLVING ACCOUNTS.**

22 Subject to constitutional limits, notwithstanding any CNMI and/or local
23 laws, regulations, and rules to the contrary and except for the suspended accounts
24 as provided in Section 202 and special revenue accounts, all general revolving
25 account expenditure limitations and restrictions relating to the scope of
26 application or other subject matter requirements are hereby suspended in FY
27 2025.

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1 Accordingly, all legally established general revolving accounts and the
2 funds therein may be expended by their respective expenditure authorities for
3 personnel and the following operational expenses: fuel, communications,
4 operational office supplies, and travel for training purposes. Provided further that
5 Section 501 of this Act shall not apply to this section.

6 **SECTION 605. LEGAL HOLIDAYS.**

7 ~~Any employee required to work on a non federal Commonwealth legal~~
8 ~~holiday shall be paid at the basic salary rate for the hours worked on that day~~
9 ~~without any additional adjustment for holiday leave with pay. This provision does~~
10 ~~not apply to employees that are 100% or partially funded with federal funds.~~

11 **SECTION 606. CELL #1 AND CELL #2 OF THE MARPI LANDFILL CLOSURE**
12 **FINANCIAL ASSURANCE MECHANISM.**

13 In the event of any funding shortfalls caused by this Appropriations Act,
14 the CNMI Government shall commit its full faith and credit when necessary to
15 effectuate the closure of Cell #1 and Cell #2 of the Marpi Landfill.

16 **SECTION 607. REDUCTION OF WORK HOURS.**

17 During Fiscal Year 2025, notwithstanding any laws or contractual
18 provisions to the contrary, a full pay period for the employment benefit of annual
19 leave, sick leave, or other benefits, shall be earned despite the implementation of
20 austerity measures.

21 **SECTION 608. VACANT POSITIONS.**

22 ~~Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, any position that becomes vacant~~
23 ~~shall be closed out. Unused funds for such position shall go to operation expenses~~
24 ~~within that department or agency within 30 days upon vacancy unless a request~~

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1 is made to the Legislature for reinstatement of the vacant position, which shall be
2 approved by a joint resolution.

3 **SECTION 609. EXCEPTED SERVICE EMPLOYEE.**

4 The legislature recognizes that there are employees who are on an Excepted
5 Service Contract in the government, including the municipalities. Upon renewal
6 of an excepted service contract, the employee shall not receive a salary increase of
7 more than ten percent.

8 **CHAPTER VII. APPROPRIATIONS.**

9 **SECTION 701. IN GENERAL.**

10 Funds designated in Chapter II as available for appropriation for
11 Fiscal Year 2025 are hereby appropriated pursuant to this Chapter.

12 **SECTION 702. APPROPRIATION.**

13 The amount of \$117,040,086 is hereby appropriated as set forth in the
14 attached Schedule A which is inclusive of the Department of Public Lands.

15 **SECTION 703. JUDICIAL BRANCH.**

16 (a) The Number of Personnel and appropriations for personnel, operations,
17 and utilities for the Judicial Branch shall be as shown in Schedule A.

18 ~~(b) Funds appropriated for Fiscal Year 2025 to the Judicial Branch shall be~~
19 ~~allotted on a quarterly basis, pursuant to 1 CMC § 7204(e).~~

20 (c) Notwithstanding any laws to the contrary, the Chief Justice of the CNMI
21 Supreme Court and Presiding Judge of the CNMI Superior Court may adjust the
22 Judicial Branch work schedule and operating hours that are consistent with
23 available funds for personnel and operations.

24 (d) The Chief Justice and the Presiding Judge may use any available outside
25 source funds, including revolving accounts, to restore the reduced work hours of
26 the Judicial Branch personnel.

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SECTION 704. LEGISLATIVE BRANCH.

The Number of Personnel and allocations for personnel, operations, and utilities for the Legislative Branch shall be as shown in Schedule A.

(a) Art. II Sec. 16(e) of the Commonwealth Constitution provides:

e) Beginning the second Monday of January 1998, the amount of the ceiling and all other dollar amounts stated in this section shall be adjusted every two years by the same percentage as the percentage change in the United States Department of Commerce composite price index during the two preceding fiscal years using the beginning of the fiscal year 1996 as the base.

The allocation ceilings have automatically increased every two years, beginning in January 1998. Using the price composite indexes developed by the Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis for State and Local Government Consumption Expenditures and Gross Investment, the allocation ceilings for the Legislature for fiscal years 2022, 2023, and 2024 are as follows:

Price Index for All Government Consumption Expenditures and Gross Investment

Legislative Branch	Base Ceiling Oct. 1, 1995	Change in Price Index Jan 1, 2020	Ceiling Jan. 1, 2020 Based on Change
Members Allocation	\$155,000	60.335%	\$248,519.25
Presiding Officers Allocation	\$400,000	60.335%	\$641,340.00
Legislative Bureau	\$2,000,000	60.335%	\$3,206,700.00

~~(b) Funds appropriated for Fiscal Year 2025 to the Legislative Branch shall be allotted on a quarterly basis, pursuant to 1 CMC § 7204(c).~~

(c) Notwithstanding any laws to the contrary, the Legislative Bureau Director may adjust the Legislative Branch work schedule and operating hours that are consistent with available funds for personnel and operations.

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1 (d) The Legislative Bureau Director may use any available outside source
2 funds to restore the reduced work hours of the LB personnel.

3 (e) Salaries of Legislative Members.

4 (1) The amount appropriated under this section to the House of
5 Representatives under "personnel" shall be used to fund the salaries and benefits
6 of the members of the House of Representatives. The expenditure authority for the
7 amounts appropriated shall be the Speaker of the House.

8 (2) The amount appropriated under this section to the Senate under
9 "personnel" shall be used to fund the salaries and benefits of the members of the
10 Senate. The expenditure authority for the amounts appropriated shall be the
11 President of the Senate.

12 (f) Members' Office Accounts and Employees.

13 (1) Notwithstanding 1 CMC § 7401(c) to the contrary, each member shall be
14 the expenditure authority of the funds appropriated to their individual sub-
15 account;

16 (2) Funds appropriated for the operation of the member's office, including,
17 but not limited to, the personnel costs of the member's employees and
18 expenditures as authorized by the adopted rules of the Senate in the case of the
19 Senate member, or the adopted rules of the House of Representatives in the case
20 of a House member, or the Legislative Bureau, may be expended to defray travel
21 and incidental expenses for the purpose of attending to legislative business;
22 provided that a member may receive a one-month advancement of funds
23 appropriated to his or her office for expenditures;

24 (3) Allocation of the maximum number of positions among House members
25 shall be governed by the rules of the House; and

26 (4) Allocation of the maximum number of positions among Senate members
27 shall be governed by the rules of the Senate.

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1 (g) Senate and House Leadership Accounts. The leadership account of each
2 house shall be \$100,000. The Presiding Officer of each respective house, or his
3 lawfully authorized designee, shall be the expenditure authority and shall use
4 such funds to support the operations and activities of the House of Representatives
5 and Senate in accordance with its rules, provided that the Presiding Officer
6 distributes a portion of the total allocation in equal amounts to all the standing
7 committees for their operations and activities.

8 (h) Legislative Bureau, ORG 11620700. The Number of Personnel and
9 allocations for personnel, operations, and utilities for the Legislative Bureau shall
10 be as shown in Schedule A. The expenditure authority of the funds appropriated
11 for the Legislative Bureau shall be the Director of the Legislative Bureau or
12 authorized designee. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the
13 expenditure authority for the Legislative Bureau shall have reprogramming
14 authority to move funding from Personnel to Operations.

15 (i) Northern Marianas Youth Congress, ORG 11620800. The Number of
16 Personnel and allocations for personnel and operations for Youth Congress shall
17 be as shown in Schedule A. The expenditure authority is vested in the Director of
18 the Legislative Bureau with the consent of the Speaker of the Northern Mariana
19 Islands Youth Congress.

20 **SECTION 705. EXECUTIVE BRANCH.**

21 The allocation for the Executive Branch shall be as shown in Schedule A.

22 (a) The Governor shall have authority to expend, obligate, encumber, or
23 otherwise commit, all the funds appropriated to the Office of the Governor and all
24 Other Offices of the Governor.

25 (b) The Lt. Governor shall be the expenditure authority of the funds
26 appropriated to the Office of the Lt. Governor.

27 (c) One NOP shall be allocated under ORG 11260900 for the Office of
28 Management and Budget.

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1 ~~(d) Funds appropriated for Fiscal Year 2025 to the Executive Branch shall~~
2 ~~be allotted on a quarterly basis, pursuant to 1 CMC § 7204(e).~~

3 (e) Law enforcement officers of the Department of Public Safety and the
4 Department of Fire and Emergency Medical Services eligible for overtime shall be
5 funded by outside sources.

6 **SECTION 706. FIRST SENATORIAL DISTRICT – MAYOR OF ROTA AND ROTA**
7 **MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.**

8 The Number of Personnel and allocations for personnel, operations, and
9 utilities for the First Senatorial District shall be as shown in Schedule A.

10 (a) Except as provided in this section, the Mayor of Rota shall have
11 authority to expend, obligate, encumber, and otherwise commit, all the funds
12 appropriated to the First Senatorial District. Appropriations to the Municipal
13 Council shall be divided and distributed equally to each member of the Municipal
14 Council in separate accounts. Each Municipal Council member shall be the
15 expenditure authority of funds distributed to him/her. Additionally, except as
16 provided in this section, in accord with the Superior Court's decision in the case of
17 *Inos v. Tenorio*, the Mayors shall also have expenditure authority over resident
18 government departments in the First and Second Senatorial districts respectively
19 unless the Governor revokes expenditure authority in a manner consistent with
20 the Superior Court's holding in *Inos v. Tenorio*, to wit: expenditure authority over
21 resident departments that are primarily concerned with the delivery of public
22 services can be revoked only on a prior showing of just cause, but the Governor
23 has the discretion to revoke expenditure authority over those departments that
24 are primarily concerned with enforcing the law.

25 (b) Any shortfall in the appropriated funds as a result or due to payment of
26 overtime, retirement, or benefits shall be borne by the municipality. Provided that
27 law enforcement officers of the Department of Public Safety – Rota and the

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1 Department of Fire and Emergency Medical Services – Rota eligible for overtime
2 shall be funded by outside sources.

3 **SECTION 707. SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT – MAYOR OF TINIAN &**
4 **AGUIGUAN AND TINIAN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.**

5 The Number of Personnel and allocations for personnel, operations, and
6 utilities for the Second Senatorial District shall be as shown in Schedule A.

7 (a) Except as provided in this section, the Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan
8 shall have authority to expend, obligate, encumber, or otherwise commit or
9 reprogram, all the funds appropriated to the Second Senatorial District.
10 Appropriations to the Municipal Council shall be divided and distributed equally
11 to each member of the Municipal Council in separate accounts. Each Municipal
12 Council member shall be the expenditure authority of funds distributed to
13 him/her. Additionally, in accord with the Superior Court’s decision in the case of
14 *Inos v. Tenorio*, the Mayors shall also have expenditure authority over resident
15 government departments in the First and Second senatorial districts respectively
16 unless the Governor revokes expenditure authority in a manner consistent with
17 the Superior Court’s holding in *Inos v. Tenorio*, to wit: expenditure authority over
18 resident departments that are primarily concerned with the delivery of public
19 services can be revoked only on a prior showing of just cause, but the Governor
20 has the discretion to revoke expenditure authority over those departments that
21 are primarily concerned with enforcing the law.

22 (b) Any shortfall in the appropriated funds as a result or due to payment of
23 overtime, retirement, or benefits shall be borne by the municipality. Provided that
24 law enforcement officers of the Department of Public Safety – Tinian and the
25 Department of Fire and Emergency Medical Services – Tinian eligible for overtime
26 shall be funded by outside sources.

27 (c) Two NOPs under the Department of Commerce – Tinian shall be funded
28 by the Tobacco Settlement Fund.

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1 (d) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, four new NOPs
2 under the Customs and Biosecurity – Tinian shall be funded under CIQ – Saipan,
3 accounts 9040 and 9044, for two Customs Inspector I positions and two
4 Quarantine Inspector I positions.

5 **SECTION 708. THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT – MAYOR OF SAIPAN; MAYOR**
6 **OF THE NORTHERN ISLANDS; AND SAIPAN AND NORTHERN ISLANDS MUNICIPAL**
7 **COUNCIL.**

8 The Number of Personnel and allocations for personnel, operations, and
9 utilities for the Office of the Mayor of Saipan, Office of the Mayor of the Northern
10 Islands, and the Saipan and Northern Islands Municipal Council shall be as
11 shown in Schedule A.

12 The Mayor of Saipan, the Mayor of the Northern Islands, and the
13 Chairperson of the Municipal Council for Saipan and the Northern Islands or each
14 of their respective designees shall be the expenditure authority for allocations for
15 their respective offices.

16 **SECTION 709. OTHER PROGRAMS.**

17 The Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Appropriation for the programs under this
18 section shall be as shown in Schedule A.

19 (a) Northern Marianas College. The President of the Northern Marianas
20 College or designee shall be the expenditure authority of the funds under
21 ORG 11881000.

22 (b) NMC Board of Regents. The Chairperson of the Board of Regents of the
23 Northern Marianas College or designee shall be the expenditure authority of the
24 appropriated funds under ORG 11882100.

25 (c) Public School System. The Commissioner of Education or designee shall
26 be the expenditure authority of the appropriated funds under ORG 11881100.
27 Funds appropriated to PSS shall not be used for the following: 1) personnel and
28 operations of the Board of Education, 2) pay raises for central administrative

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1 directors until or unless all austerity measures such as teacher furloughs or other
2 curriculum/program cuts and or restrictions are rescinded or no longer in effect;
3 and 3) legal fees and costs of litigation including but not limited to any payments
4 for settlements and/or judgments. Of the appropriated funds under
5 ORG 11881100, up to \$650,000 shall be reserved for the Northern Marianas
6 College for services rendered to meet the educational needs of new graduates
7 enrolled at the Northern Marianas College. Provided further that the PSS and
8 NMC shall enter into a Memorandum of Agreement to authorize the use of these
9 funds.

10 (d) Board of Education. The Chairperson of the Board of Education or
11 his/her designee shall be the expenditure authority of the appropriated funds
12 under ORG 11882000. The funds appropriated to the Board of Education shall
13 include the cost and expenses of the student and teacher representatives to the
14 Board of Education.

15 (e) CNMI Medical Referral Program (Health Network Program). The
16 Commonwealth Healthcare Corporation shall administer the CNMI Medical
17 Referral Program or its successor, including both inter-island and off-island
18 referrals, consistent with its duties and responsibilities under 3 CMC § 2821 *et*
19 *seq.* ~~More specifically, the inter-island medical referral services shall include~~
20 ~~stipends, airfare, and lodging for patients and escorts, which is consistent with the~~
21 ~~off-island medical referral program.~~ The expenditure authority for all funds
22 appropriated to inter-island and off-island medical referral services and
23 administration (inclusive of ORG 11850100, 11850700, and any new organizations
24 codes established for CHCC Medical Referral) shall be the CEO of the
25 Commonwealth Healthcare Corporation or designee. Provided further that
26 \$150,000 of the funds appropriated to the Health Network Program,
27 ORG 11850700, shall be used exclusively for inter-island medical referral.

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1 (f) Northern Marianas Technical Institute. The Chairperson of the Board of
2 Trustees or designee in consultation with the Chief Executive Officer shall be the
3 expenditure authority of the appropriated funds for the Northern Marianas
4 Technical Institute.

5 **SECTION 710. INDEPENDENT PROGRAMS.**

6 The Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Appropriation for the agencies under this
7 section shall be as shown in Schedule A.

8 (a) Joeten-Kiyu Public Library. The Chairperson of the Commonwealth
9 Library Council or designee shall be the expenditure authority of the appropriated
10 funds.

11 (b) NMI Museum of History and Culture. The Chairperson of the Board of
12 Governors of the NMI Museum of History and Culture or designee shall be the
13 expenditure authority of the appropriated funds.

14 (c) Elected Attorney General. The Attorney General or designee shall be the
15 expenditure authority of the appropriated funds.

16 (d) The expenditure authority of the funds appropriated for the Public
17 Assistance Program shall be the Governor's Authorized Representative.

18 (e) Medicaid Program. The funds appropriated in this Act for the Medicaid
19 Program, including Medicaid Reimbursement, ORG 11882200, Medicaid Agency,
20 ORG 11880300, and Medicaid Enterprise Systems & Health Information
21 Technology, ORG 11850400 shall be deemed a single budget reserved for the
22 purposes of Medicaid Agency, Medicaid Reimbursement, and Medicaid Enterprise
23 Systems & Health Information Technology. The Director of the Commonwealth
24 Medicaid Agency may reallocate the funds appropriated in this Act to any of the
25 expenditure categories, including, but not limited to, Medicaid Agency, Medicaid
26 Reimbursement, and Medicaid Enterprise Systems & Health Information
27 Technology. Provided further that for the Fiscal Year 2025, pursuant to the
28 request of CNMI Medicaid, with the concurrence of the Office of Personnel

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1 Management, notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, all of the 11 NOPs
2 for the Medicaid Enterprise Systems & Health Information Technology funded
3 under ORG 11850400 shall be excepted service contract employees.

4 (f) CNMI Scholarship Office. Of the funds appropriated to the CNMI
5 Scholarship Office \$50,000 shall be used to fund the Professional Student
6 Exchange Program established under 3 CMC § 11101, as shown in Schedule A.

7 (g) For programs and activities not specifically mentioned, the expenditure
8 authority shall be the Secretary of Finance.

9 **SECTION 711. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC LANDS.**

10 Pursuant to 1 CMC § 2803 of the Commonwealth Code, Department of
11 Public Lands (DPL) submitted a budget of \$5,566,075. ~~The Legislature however~~
12 ~~acknowledges that the DPL has in its reserve account the funds for FY 2025.~~
13 ~~The reserved funds shall be used by DPL in FY 2025. Therefore, as shown in~~
14 ~~Schedule A, \$2 is appropriated to DPL for FY 2025 and \$5,566,073 is appropriated~~
15 ~~to the Marianas Public Land Trust (MPLT).~~ The DPL, pursuant to the
16 Memorandum of Agreement between DPL and the Department of Lands and
17 Natural Resources (DLNR) is authorized to pay for professional services provided
18 by the personnel of the DLNR Division of Parks and Recreation of all three
19 senatorial districts.

20 **SECTION 712. TRANSPARENCY AND ACCURATE INFORMATION ACCESS.**

21 ~~(a) Access Provided to Legislative Fiscal Analysts.~~

22 ~~Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, training and access~~
23 ~~to the following shall be provided:~~

24 ~~(1) The Munis Financial Management Information System or other~~
25 ~~financial and accounting system to obtain the following: monthly collections~~
26 ~~and expenditures, including but not limited to funds status, and detailed~~
27 ~~expenditure reports in a format that is exportable or convertible to Excel~~
28 ~~files; and~~

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1 ~~(2) The following reports in a format that is exportable or convertible~~
2 ~~to Excel files shall be provided to the CNMI Legislative Fiscal Analysts~~
3 ~~30 days after the effective date of this Act:~~

4 ~~(A) All revolving accounts;~~

5 ~~(B) All business activities listed in Schedule A;~~

6 ~~(C) All accounts listed as earmarks in the Budget Authority Act;~~

7 ~~(D) All debt service payments, including payments to the Settlement~~
8 ~~Fund, and Series A and Series B Funds;~~

9 ~~(E) All revenue accounts in the First, Second, and Third Senatorial~~
10 ~~Districts that are identified as budgetary resources in the Budget~~
11 ~~Authority Act;~~

12 ~~(3) Any other financial information, not legally privileged or~~
13 ~~protected, relating to the CNMI Government's expenditure of public funds,~~
14 ~~as needed and requested, in writing, within 10 days of said request.~~

15 **SECTION 713. VIOLATIONS OF SPENDING LIMITS.**

16 The expenditure of funds in excess of allocations and reprogramming
17 established by this Act is a violation of the Planning and Budget Act, 1 CMC §7101
18 *et seq.* ~~Any expenditure authority that violates The Planning and Budget Act shall~~
19 ~~be suspended without salary for at least 30 days and the salary shall not be~~
20 ~~restored until a fiscal plan is submitted to the Presiding Officers of the~~
21 ~~Legislature, Chairperson of the Senate Committee on Fiscal Affairs, and the~~
22 ~~Chairperson of the House Committee on Ways and Means, and accepted by both~~
23 ~~houses of the Legislature to retire the over-expenditure.~~ Provided, they also shall
24 not be entitled to indemnification, defense, or reimbursement under the
25 Government Liability Act or any other Commonwealth Law.

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CHAPTER VIII. OUTSIDE SOURCES**SECTION 801. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.**

~~(a) Notwithstanding 1 CMC § 7204, the outside source funds appropriated for Fiscal Year 2025 shall be allotted monthly, except programs that require one-time payments may receive advance allotments.~~

(b) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the Secretary of Finance shall submit to the Presiding Officers of the Legislature, at the end of each quarter, a fund status report on the outside-sourced funds that are transferred in and out of government organizational codes and their respective accounts, pursuant to Section 802 of this Act.

(c) All salaries of elected officials that are waived under 1 CMC § 8442 shall be transferred by the Secretary of Finance to the Scholarship Trust Account and the funds from the account shall be spent for scholarship purposes only, without further appropriation, and without fiscal year limitation. The Administrator of the CNMI Scholarship Office shall provide a report to the Presiding Officers of the legislature within 30 days after the end of each quarter.

SECTION 802. OUTSIDE SOURCES.

(a) **Tobacco Settlement Funds.** Pursuant to 3 CMC § 2173 and the funds allocated in this section pursuant to the submittal of a program and expenditure plan to the Secretary of Finance, the Tobacco Settlement funds in the amount of \$541,597.00, not subject to reprogramming or fiscal year limitation, shall be allocated as follows:

(1) Division of Public Health 40%:	\$216,638.80
(2) Public School System 20%:	\$108,319.40
(3) Youth Affairs Office 12.5%:	\$67,699.62
(4) Coalition of Private Schools 7.5%:	\$40,619.78
(5) Rota Mayor 10%:	\$54,159.70
(6) Tinian and Aguiguan Mayor 10%:	\$54,159.70

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1 The expenditure authorities of the funds allocated pursuant to this
2 Section 802(a) shall be the persons authorized by law for each respective office or
3 agency. The expenditure authorities shall provide accountability and
4 transparency by providing within 30 days after the end of each quarter an
5 expenditure report of the funds to the governor and the Presiding Officers of the
6 Legislature.

7 (b) **Commonwealth Worker Fund** (Source: U.S.P.L. 115-218).

8 In accordance with U.S. Public Law 115-218, the sum of \$1,300,000.00 in
9 Commonwealth Worker Fee Funds shall be available for the sole and exclusive
10 purpose of funding vocational education, apprenticeships, or other training
11 programs for United States workers by Commonwealth educational entities for
12 Fiscal Year 2025. ~~Provided that out of the \$1,300,000.00, the following amounts~~
13 ~~shall be allocated for the sole and exclusive purpose of funding vocational~~
14 ~~education, apprenticeships, or other vocational training programs for United~~
15 ~~States workers:~~

16 ~~(1) NMTech 60%: _____ \$780,000.00~~
17 ~~(2) NMC 15%: _____ \$195,000.00~~
18 ~~(3) CNMI DOL Registered Apprenticeship 15%: _____ \$195,000.00~~
19 ~~(4) CNMI PSS 4%: _____ \$52,000.00~~
20 ~~(5) DOL Admin Cost 6%: _____ \$78,000.00~~

21 (1) The expenditure authorities of all Commonwealth educational entities
22 that receive Commonwealth Worker Fee Funds shall submit to the Presiding
23 Officers of the Legislature, Chairperson of the Senate Committee on Fiscal Affairs
24 and the Chairperson of the House Committee on Ways and Means, at the end of
25 each quarter, a fund status report of the funds allocated under this subsection.

26 (2) The recipients of the funds in this subsection shall submit to the
27 Governor and the Department of Labor the required education plans consistent
28 with and mandated by U.S. Public Law 115-218.

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1 (c) **Reporting Requirement.** The expenditure authorities of the funds
2 allocated pursuant to Section 802 shall provide accountability and transparency
3 by providing within 30 days after the end of each quarter an expenditure report of
4 the funds to the Governor and the Presiding Officers of the Legislature.

5 **CHAPTER IX. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

6 **SECTION 901. SEVERABILITY.**

7 If any provision of this Act, or its application to any person or circumstance,
8 is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of the
9 Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or applications, and to
10 this end the provisions of this Act are severable.



11 **SECTION 902. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

12 This Act and any repealer contained herein shall not be construed as
13 affecting any existing right acquired under contract or acquired under statutes
14 repealed or under any rule, regulation or order adopted under the statutes.
15 Repealers contained in this Act shall not affect any proceeding instituted under or
16 pursuant to prior law. The enactment of this Act shall not have the effect of
17 terminating, or in any way modifying, any liability civil or criminal, which shall
18 already be in existence at the date this Act becomes effective.

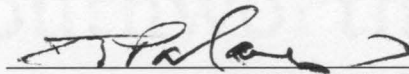
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SECTION 903. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the Governor, or it becoming law without such approval.

Attested to by:
Linda B. Muña, House Clerk*Certified by:*
SPEAKER EDMUND S. VILLAGOMEZ
House of Representatives
23rd Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature

Approved this *30th* day of *September*, 2024

**ARNOLD I. PALACIOS***Governor**Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands*

Schedule A
FY2025 Budget

Activity/Function	ORG	NOP	PERSONNEL	OPERATIONS	UTILITIES	TOTAL
Judicial Branch						
Justices & Judges	11510600	8	\$1,140,468	\$11,405	\$0	\$1,151,873
CNMI Supreme Court	11510400	8	\$450,620	\$4,506	\$0	\$455,126
CNMI Superior Court	11510300	52	\$1,437,298	\$14,373	\$0	\$1,451,671
Administrative	11510100	37	\$1,211,013	\$15,110	\$300,000	\$1,526,123
Law Revision Commission	11510500	7	\$216,114	\$2,161	\$0	\$218,275
Drug Court	11510700	8	\$315,070	\$3,151	\$0	\$318,221
Mental Health Court	11511000	7	\$273,152	\$2,732	\$0	\$275,884
Judicial Branch Total		127	\$5,043,735	\$3,438	\$300,000	\$5,397,173
Legislative Branch						
Current House Member's Salaries	11620100	20	\$777,546	\$0	\$0	\$777,546
House Member's Allocation	11620200	45	\$0	\$2,100,000	\$0	\$2,100,000
House Leadership	11620300	0	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000
Current Senate Salaries	11620400	9	\$330,866	\$0	\$0	\$330,866
Senate Member's Allocation	11620500	27	\$0	\$945,000	\$0	\$945,000
Senate Leadership	11620600	0	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000
Legislative Bureau	11620700	32	\$1,532,848	\$0	\$180,000	\$1,712,848
CNMI Youth Congress	11620800	1	\$25,521	\$0	\$0	\$25,521
Legislative Branch Total		134	\$2,666,781	\$3,245,000	\$180,000	\$6,091,781
Office of the Governor						
Office of the Governor	11261100	16	\$624,971	\$7,952	\$0	\$632,923
Governor's Discretionary Account	11269000	0	\$0	\$80,800	\$0	\$80,800
Office of the Governor Total		16	\$624,971	\$8,752	\$0	\$713,723
Office of the Lt. Governor						
Office of the Lt. Governor	11262000	16	\$561,973	\$6,632	\$0	\$568,605
Lt. Gov's Discretionary Account	11269100	0	\$0	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000
Office of the Lt. Governor Total		16	\$561,973	\$6,632	\$0	\$618,605
Other Offices of the Gov and Lt. Gov						
Office of Management & Budget	11260900	9	\$321,047	\$3,610	\$0	\$324,657
Administrative Services	11260100	17	\$511,882	\$6,348	\$0	\$518,230
CNMI Homeland Security & Emergency Management Office	11260700	14	\$328,983	\$4,080	\$0	\$333,063
Office of Youth Affairs	11261800	8	\$198,003	\$2,456	\$0	\$200,459
Office of Planning & Development	11260500	5	\$218,645	\$2,712	\$0	\$221,357
Office of Parole Board	11261300	5	\$125,961	\$1,562	\$0	\$127,523
Office of Grants Management	11261000	0	\$1	\$1	\$0	\$2
Public Defender Office	11261200	9	\$382,839	\$4,748	\$0	\$387,587
Carolinian Affairs Office	11260200	10	\$202,060	\$2,506	\$0	\$204,566
Indigenous Affairs Office	11260800	4	\$105,031	\$1,303	\$0	\$106,334
Veteran's Affairs Office	11261400	6	\$194,401	\$2,411	\$0	\$196,812
Women's Affairs Saipan	11261600	4	\$104,921	\$1,301	\$0	\$106,222
Environ. Protec. Act PL3-23		0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Environmental Quality - Saipan	11261900	1	\$18,906	\$234	\$0	\$19,140
Environmental Quality Tinian		0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Zoning Board	11262200	6	\$169,984	\$2,108	\$0	\$172,092
Commonwealth Zoning Board		0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CJPA	11260400	3	\$95,699	\$1,187	\$0	\$96,886
Vocational Rehabilitation Services	11261500	0	\$0	\$80,800	\$0	\$80,800
Medicaid Reimbursements	11882200	0	\$0	\$6,060,000	\$0	\$6,060,000
Medicaid Agency	11880300	20	\$302,472	\$127,990	\$0	\$430,462
Medicaid Enterprise Systems & Health Information Technology	11850400	11	\$41,543	\$192,542	\$0	\$234,085
Other Offices of the Gov and Lt. Gov Total		132	\$3,322,378	\$6,497,899	\$0	\$9,820,277

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Department of Commerce						
Secretary of Commerce	11160100	15	\$386,983	\$4,799	\$0	\$391,782
Economic Development - Saipan	11160300	2	\$68,885	\$854	\$0	\$69,739
Statistical Research	11160400	6	\$155,283	\$1,926	\$0	\$157,209
Alcoholic Beverage Control	11160200	17	\$277,648	\$3,443	\$0	\$281,091
Enforcement and Compliance	11160500	5	\$139,819	\$1,734	\$0	\$141,553
Workers Compensation Commission	11160600	4	\$130,334	\$1,616	\$0	\$131,950
Department of Commerce Total		49	1,158,952	14,372	0	1,173,324
Department of Community & Cultural Affairs						
Secretary of CCA	11120100	8	\$212,800	\$2,639	\$0	\$215,439
Youth Services - Saipan	11120800	11	\$245,703	\$3,047	\$0	\$248,750
Child Care Licensing Program	11120900	4	\$122,255	\$1,516	\$0	\$123,771
Historical Preservation - Saipan	11120600	8	\$227,969	\$2,827	\$0	\$230,796
Office of Aging - Saipan	11120700	5	\$183,134	\$2,271	\$0	\$185,405
Council for Arts & Culture	11120200	8	\$185,839	\$2,305	\$0	\$188,144
Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program	11121000	2	\$42,039	\$521	\$0	\$42,560
Chamorro/Carolinian Language Commission	11121200	5	\$153,337	\$1,902	\$0	\$155,239
NAP	11121400	0	\$0	\$161,600	\$0	\$161,600
Department of Community & Cultural Affairs Total		51	1,373,076	178,628	0	1,551,704
Department of Corrections						
Secretary of Corrections	11130100	139	\$2,785,486	\$34,545	\$0	\$2,820,031
Juvenile Detention Unit	11130200	15	\$255,344	\$3,167	\$0	\$258,511
Department of Corrections Total		154	3,040,830	37,712	0	3,078,542
Department of Fire & Emergency Services						
Administration	11140100	11	\$337,759	\$4,191	\$0	\$341,950
Emergency Services	11140300	86	\$2,408,189	\$29,866	\$0	\$2,438,055
Fire Prevention & Arson Investigation	11140200	10	\$305,799	\$3,793	\$0	\$309,592
Emergency Medical Services	11140400	9	\$310,313	\$3,848	\$0	\$314,161
Logistical Support	11140500	6	\$226,510	\$2,809	\$0	\$229,319
DFEMS Training Section	11140600	2	\$79,840	\$990	\$0	\$80,830
DFEMS Dispatch Section	11140700	12	\$113,653	\$1,410	\$0	\$115,063
Department of Fire & Emergency Services Total		136	3,782,063	46,907	0	3,828,970
Department of Finance						
Secretary of Finance	11170100	18	\$540,184	\$6,699	\$0	\$546,883
Finance and Acct Saipan	11170800	27	\$805,851	\$9,994	\$0	\$815,845
Treasury	11170700	15	\$221,211	\$2,743	\$0	\$223,954
Revenue & Taxation - Saipan	11170500	64	\$1,339,635	\$16,614	\$0	\$1,356,249
Procurement & Supply - Saipan	11170400	11	\$308,941	\$3,831	\$0	\$312,772
Division of Customs & Quarantine Services - Saipan	11170900	105	\$2,402,429	\$29,795	\$0	\$2,432,224
Office of Information Technology	11170200	13	\$371,332	\$4,605	\$0	\$375,937
Passport Office	11171000	3	\$68,007	\$843	\$0	\$68,850
Department of Finance Total		256	6,057,590	75,124	0	6,132,714
Department of Labor						
Secretary of Labor	11180100	4	\$153,460	\$1,903	\$0	\$155,363
Administrative Hearing Office	11180400	1	\$69,416	\$861	\$0	\$70,277
Employment Services	11180500	8	\$218,183	\$2,706	\$0	\$220,889
WIA		0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Labor Enforcement Fund	11180700	7	\$171,802	\$2,131	\$0	\$173,933
Department of Labor Total		20	\$612,861	\$7,601	\$0	\$620,462

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Department of Land and Natural Resources						
Secretary of DLNR	11190100	6	\$232,109	\$2,879	\$0	\$234,988
Agriculture	11190700	18	\$414,281	\$5,138	\$0	\$419,419
Fish & Wildlife Saipan	11190800	14	\$182,867	\$2,268	\$0	\$185,135
Parks & Recreation - Saipan	11190400	40	\$418,488	\$5,190	\$0	\$423,678
Soil & Water Conservation - Saipan	11190500	1	\$1	\$0	\$0	\$1
Land Registration Saipan	11190900	11	\$166,771	\$2,068	\$0	\$168,839
Department of Land and Natural Resources Total		90	1,414,517	17,543	0	1,432,060
Department of Public Safety						
DPS Commissioner	11150400	1	\$42,537	\$528	\$0	\$43,065
Police - Saipan	11150500	185	\$3,858,218	\$47,849	\$0	\$3,906,067
Administrative Division	11150100	13	\$377,415	\$4,681	\$0	\$382,096
Motor Vehicles Division	11150300	12	\$220,467	\$2,734	\$0	\$223,201
Department of Public Safety Total		211	\$4,498,637	\$55,792	\$0	\$4,554,429
Department of Public Works						
Secretary Public Works	11200100	10	\$333,735	\$4,139	\$0	\$337,874
Street Lights		0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Building Safety Code	11200200	13	\$401,022	\$4,973	\$0	\$405,995
Roads & Grounds Division	11200500	22	\$387,290	\$4,803	\$0	\$392,093
Technical Services Division	11200700	21	\$555,414	\$6,888	\$0	\$562,302
Solid Waste Management Division	11200600	37	\$661,819	\$6,803	\$0	\$668,622
Department of Public Works Total		103	\$2,339,280	\$27,606	\$0	\$2,366,886
Executive Branch Total		1,234	\$28,787,128	\$7,104,568	\$0	\$35,891,696
First Senatorial District						
Mayor Rota	12270100	103	\$2,136,151	\$23,861	\$150,000	\$2,310,012
Municipal Council Rota	12710100	8	\$149,890	\$11,499	\$0	\$161,389
Finance and Acct Rota	12170800	4	\$130,550	\$16,305	\$0	\$146,855
Revenue & Taxation - Rota	12170500	4	\$88,902	\$889	\$0	\$89,791
Procurement & Supply Rota	12170400	2	\$70,216	\$702	\$0	\$70,918
Customs Service - Rota	12170900	15	\$351,645	\$3,516	\$0	\$355,161
Historic Preservation - Rota	12120600	3	\$79,628	\$796	\$0	\$80,424
Sports and Recreation - Rota	12120400	9	\$263,186	\$12,632	\$0	\$275,818
Labor Rota	12180100	5	\$195,818	\$6,958	\$0	\$202,776
Economic Development - Rota	12160300	4	\$140,561	\$6,406	\$0	\$146,967
Police - Rota	12150500	47	\$1,429,962	\$29,300	\$0	\$1,459,262
Fire & EMS - Rota	12140100	29	\$1,033,090	\$25,331	\$0	\$1,058,421
Agriculture - Rota	12190700	12	\$413,213	\$14,132	\$0	\$427,345
Fish & Wildlife Rota	12190800	5	\$140,878	\$1,409	\$0	\$142,287
Parks & Recreation - Rota	12190400	4	\$90,516	\$905	\$0	\$91,421
Soil & Water Conservation - Rota	12190500	1	\$23,138	\$231	\$0	\$23,369
Land Registration Rota	12190900	2	\$59,966	\$600	\$0	\$60,566
Operations & Maintenance - Rota	12200100	22	\$539,188	\$20,392	\$0	\$559,580
Public Library - Rota	12880900	1	\$16,443	\$164	\$0	\$16,607
Contingency - Rota		0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
First Senatorial District Total		280	7,352,941	176,028	\$150,000	\$7,678,969

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Second Senatorial District						
Mayor Tinian	13270100	135	\$3,172,938	\$124,297	\$250,000	\$3,547,235
Mayor Contingency Tinian		0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Municipal Council Tinian	13710100	7	\$175,452	\$1,755	\$0	\$177,207
Finance and Acct Tinian	13170800	3	\$98,970	\$29,554	\$0	\$128,524
Revenue & Taxation - Tinian	13170500	4	\$105,637	\$867	\$0	\$106,504
Procurement & Supply Tinian	13170400	2	\$44,056	\$243	\$0	\$44,299
Customs Service - Tinian	13170900	15	\$333,432	\$3,334	\$0	\$336,766
Historic Preservation - Tinian	13120600	3	\$69,572	\$523	\$0	\$70,095
Office of Aging - Tinian	13120700	4	\$93,884	\$762	\$0	\$94,646
Sports and Recreation - Tinian	13120400	6	\$177,887	\$1,585	\$0	\$179,472
Labor Tinian	13180100	9	\$266,152	\$14,437	\$0	\$280,589
Economic Development - Tinian	13160300	9	\$150,574	\$1,351	\$0	\$151,925
Police - Tinian	13150500	39	\$834,104	\$21,755	\$0	\$855,859
Fire - Tinian	13140100	28	\$916,034	\$22,575	\$0	\$938,609
Agriculture - Tinian	13190700	9	\$284,046	\$2,840	\$0	\$286,886
Fish & Wildlife Tinian	13190800	5	\$115,358	\$738	\$0	\$116,096
Parks & Recreation - Tinian	13190400	3	\$63,965	\$640	\$0	\$64,605
Soil & Water Conservation Tinian	13190500	1	\$1	\$1	\$0	\$2
Operations & Maintenance - Tinian	13200100	11	\$241,118	\$2,055	\$0	\$243,173
Tinian Public Library	13880900	3	\$55,918	\$559	\$0	\$56,477
Vacant Holding Account Tinian		0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Second Senatorial District Total		296	7,199,098	229,871	\$250,000	\$7,678,969
Third Senatorial District						
Mayor Saipan	11270100	81	\$2,606,737	\$23,041	\$0	\$2,629,778
Mayor Northern Islands	14270100	17	\$351,208	\$3,512	\$0	\$354,720
Municipal Council Saipan	11710100	5	\$123,724	\$1,237	\$0	\$124,961
Mayor of Saipan Contingency		0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Mayor of Northern Islands Contingency		0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Third Senatorial District Total		103	3,081,669	27,790	\$0	\$3,109,459
Boards and Commissions						
Civil Service Commission	11110700	2	\$109,023	\$1,090	\$0	\$110,113
Office of Personnel Management - Saipan	11111100	19	\$770,566	\$7,706	\$0	\$778,272
Office of Personnel Management - Tinian	13111100	1	\$40,790	\$408	\$0	\$41,198
Office of Personnel Management - Rota	12111100	2	\$65,774	\$658	\$0	\$66,432
Commonwealth Election Commission	11110200	6	\$215,231	\$2,152	\$0	\$217,383
Board of Professional Licensing	11110500	2	\$80,548	\$805	\$0	\$81,353
Commonwealth Public Utilities Commission	11110800	1	\$47,097	\$471	\$0	\$47,568
Commonwealth Casino Commission	11111200	0	\$1	\$1	\$0	\$2
Commonwealth Cannabis Commission	11110900	3	\$1	\$0	\$0	\$1
CNMI Cannabis Commission Board	11111000	0	\$1	\$0	\$0	\$1
Political Status Commission		0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Boards and Commissions Total		36	\$1,329,032	\$13,291	\$0	\$1,342,323

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Independent Program						
Scholarship and Grants	11881400	7	\$240,669	\$52,407	\$0	\$293,076
Substance Abuse Prevention	11881500	15	\$360,975	\$3,610	\$0	\$364,585
Elected Attorney General	11880500	53	\$2,647,873	\$26,479	\$0	\$2,674,352
Active Employees DC Emplr Cntrbn.	11881600	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
GHLI: Retirees	11881700	0	\$1	\$0	\$0	\$1
NM Sports Association	11883100	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Active EE ER Health Ins Cntrbn.	11881800	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
25% Retirees' Pension Benefits	11884200	0	\$1	\$0	\$0	\$1
Micronesia Legal Services		0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Governmental Utilities	UNASSIGNED	0	\$0	\$18,000	\$1,800,000	\$1,818,000
Joeten/Kiyu Public Library	11880900	15	\$499,330	\$4,993	\$0	\$504,323
General Fund Deficit Reduction	11884500	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
NMIRF - Gov/Lt. Gov Pension	11881900	0	\$78,875	\$789	\$0	\$79,664
Judgement Against Government	11884600	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Commonwealth Museum	11880200	4	\$128,351	\$1,284	\$0	\$129,635
Government Operational Costs	11884400	0	\$0	\$1	\$0	\$1
Public Assistance Matching		0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Independent Program Total		94	3,956,075	107,563	1,800,000	5,863,638
Other Programs (Transfers to Agencies)						
Commonwealth Healthcare Corp. Subsidy	11850100	0	\$0	\$1	\$0	\$1
Health Network Program	11850700	0	\$0	\$800,000	\$0	\$800,000
Northern Marianas College (NMC)	11881000	178	\$0	\$3,948,842	\$0	\$3,948,842
NMC Board of Regents	11882100	0	\$0	\$51,158	\$0	\$51,158
Marianas Visitors' Authority	11881300	41	\$0	\$1	\$0	\$1
Public School System	11881100	972	\$0	\$33,466,869	\$0	\$33,466,869
PSS Board	11882000	6	\$0	\$153,131	\$0	\$153,131
NMTI	11883500	0	\$0	\$1	\$0	\$1
Other Programs (Transfers to Agencies) Total		1,197	0	38,420,003	\$0	38,420,003
General Fund Grand Total		3,501	\$59,416,459	\$49,377,552	\$2,680,000	\$111,474,011
Department of Public Lands		81	\$1	\$1	\$0	\$2
NPLT		0	\$0	\$5,566,073	\$0	\$5,566,073
General Fund Grand Total with DPL		3,582	\$9,416,460	\$54,943,626	2,680,000	\$117,040,086